

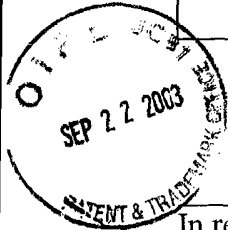
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated May 21, 2003 (Paper No. 20), for which a response was due on August 21, 2003. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to September 22, 2003 (September 21, 2003 was a Sunday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.